

## ABSTRACT

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SEAMLESS IMAGING OF SLEEVES AS USED IN FLEXOGRAPHY**

An external drum laser imagesetter providing one or more imaging beams. The drum is  
5 rotataaed in a fast scan direction and the one or more beams are modulated while the  
beams are moved in a slow scan direction. In one embodiment, the imaging beams are  
deflected in a slow scan direction to compensate for the spiral advance.